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A joyful, toyful holiday



SEASON OF GIFTING Making sure everyone enjoyed their holiday was a prime directive for multiple local people and agencies last week. Top left, the City of Arcata teamed with North Coast Children's Services to get presents for local families. Top right, Chabad of Humboldt celebrated Chanukah on the Plaza Sunday night, with hot latkes, dreidels, Rabbi Eliyahu Cowen lighting the Menorah and more. Left, gift wrapping at Humboldt State's "Winter Wishes," a program of Forever Humboldt (see page A4). Middle left, APD officers helped with "Shop With A Cop" (see page A4). Middle, Arcata Main Street's Winter Solstice Snow Party saw snowy memories being made. Right, AMS's Vicky Joyce and Carrie Tully with Arcata Mayor Michael Winkler, drawing winners in the Holiday Passport Shopping Spree (see pages A2 and A6).

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SAVED AND SAVIOR Kris Nagel, a distressed surfer, was rescued by Petty Officer 2nd Class Michael Hernon, a Coast Guard Sector Humboldt Bay rescue swimmer.

PHOTO BY SEAMAN RYAN ESTRADA, COAST GUARD SECTOR HUMBOLDT BAY

USCG saves HSU student surfer off Moonstone Beach

U.S. COAST GUARD
MCKINLEYVILLE — The Coast Guard and a California State Park Lifeguard rescued a 20-year-old Humboldt State University student from being swept into a rocky shoreline near Moonstone Beach, Sunday, Dec. 15.

At about 1:30 p.m., Coast Guard Sector Humboldt Bay received a 911-dispatch call reporting a surfer being swept toward a rocky shoreline due to a combination of rough seas and the surfer's exhaustion.

Sector Humboldt Bay dispatched an MH-65 Dolphin helicopter crew and issued an urgent marine information broadcast via VHF-FM channel 16.

RESCUE ♦ A4

Tribal objections topple wind project

Daniel Mintz
MAD RIVER UNION
HUMBOLDT — Wary of the social strife inflamed by a controversial wind energy project, Humboldt County's Board of Supervisors voted to reject it after two marathon public hearings.

The December 16 and 17 hearings, held at Eureka's Adorni Center to accommodate large crowds mostly opposed to the project, included



Mike Wilson
'This is terrible.'

threats of direct action protests and civil disobedience should the Terra-Gen company's wind energy project be approved.

Terra-Gen sought permits to install 47 600-foot tall turbines with 200-foot wide blades on Monument and Bear River ridges near Rio Dell and Scotia.

The Planning Commission's 4-2 denial of the project was appealed to

WIND PROJECT ♦ A2

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Arcata council reviews emergency readiness

Collin Slavey
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ARCATA — Last week's special Arcata City Council meeting included an update by City Manager Karen Diemer on topics including the city's stock

of generators, a flyer and banner for safe generator use during power outages, repainting red curbs in front of fire hydrants and an estimate for staff Community Emergency

PREPAREDNESS ♦ A2

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ATTENTION SHOPPERS Winners of Arcata Main Street's Downtown Shopping Spree contest were drawn last Thursday by, left, City Councilmember Brett Watson, Arcata Main Street Treasurer Vicky Joyce, AMS Director of Community Development Carrie Tully, and Arcata Mayor Michael Winkler. Of the hundreds of passports submitted by shoppers who'd patronized downtown shops, winners of the \$100 gift certificates were Hannah Hoffman and Ryan Fusi. And of all the entrants to be randomly selected by Mayor Winkler for the grand \$300 prize, the winner turned out to be Vice Mayor Paul Pitino! (We saw it happen, and there was no cheating, just holiday magic.) The winner of Arcata Main Street's Season of Wonder and Light Window Decorating Contest is Arcata Exchange, created by Snowflake Queen and Professional Decorator Shoshanna (see page A6). arcatamainstreet.com KLH | UNION

RANGER REFRESHMENTS The 124 Redwood Rangers, Humboldt's all-inclusive traditional scouting group, offered hot cocoa and cookies at the former Arcata Exchange store (soon to be Eco-Groovy Deals) during the Winter Solstic Snow party. 124redwoodrangers.org VIA 123 REDWOOD RANGERS



Wind project | ‘That trauma is real and we have to account for it’

❖ **FROM A1**

supervisors who weighed economic benefits and climate crisis response against wildlife impacts and the project's incendiary divisiveness.

Siting 20 of the turbines on Bear River Ridge was essential to make the project's energy pricing competitive but made it untenable for much of the community. The ridge was described as a sacred prayer site by the Wiyot Tribe, inciting passionate opposition.

The influence of historical context was made apparent early on, even before a sprawling public comment session began. One of the presenters for Terra-Gen was Lane Russ, whose family owns the Bear River Ridge project site.

He talked of his family's multi-generational commitment to the ranchlands it owns and warned of increasing financial pressure to subdivide.

More strikingly, he reiterated his previous comments on the Wiyot tribe's "troubling" territorial claims and lack of contact with his family over the years. Russ said his belief – informed by "outside experts" – is that Bear River Ridge is the historic territory of the Bear River tribe, not the Wiyot, hence the ridge's name.

Those assertions had been challenged during a Planning Commission hearing by a Wiyot tribal representative and they disturbed Supervisor Mike Wilson. He said they exemplified a "big disconnect" on "the relationship between

tribes and these open spaces, and this particular location."

It's understandable that the tribe wouldn't contact the Russ family "considering the history that we have to deal with," he continued, adding that "there is some real learning that needs to happen and we've got a long ways to go with this relationship."

Wilson's response telegraphed his eventual vote against the project. The decision came after numerous tribal members, Humboldt State University professors and students, and those who proclaimed "solidarity with the Wiyot tribe" implored supervisors to pay heed to the concept of social justice.

One speaker called Russ's comments "racist" and told Terra-Gen representatives, "This is who you're doing business with."

But the first three hours of public commentary was actually slightly weighted in favor of the project due to support from renewable energy advocates and a variety of contractors and union members who had forged labor agreements with Terra-Gen after the Planning Commission's Nov. 21 denial.

They spoke of being forced to separate from their families to pursue out-of-area work due to lack of local construction activity.

The rest of the commentary was dominated almost exclusively by project opponents, however, including one who warned of "haunting guilt" if approval is gained and another who gave heads-up to contractors and their employees that their workdays would start with crossing picket lines.

Many speakers who said they have extensive Environmental Impact Report (EIR) experience described the review for Terra-Gen as alarmingly inadequate, with wrong or misleading information.

That would be challenged later in the hearing by county Planning Director John Ford, who praised the work of county staff and consultants, and described the EIR as "a strong document."

He said there were "staff to staff consultations" between the county and the tribe but the outcome was questioned

as vows of civil disobedience were repeated.

"Terra-Gen, I want to warn you that the people of Humboldt County are notorious for fighting for what's right and chaining themselves to things," said one speaker.

Wiyot Tribal Chair Ted Hernandez advised supervisors that the tribe's leaders wouldn't be of help in quelling direct action protests. "We will protect our land," he said.

In all, 264 speakers were on a sign-up list and after it was cleared on day two, supervisors reacted to what they'd heard.

Supervisor Steve Madrone's stance was the most firm of the five boardmembers. He described the tribal opposition as "a really big issue" and the project's disturbance of the sacred site as "a huge impact and we've offered nothing – no mitigation – for that."

Wilson talked of his collaborations with the Wiyot tribe as an engineer and said that if a project is slated for what's considered a sacred site, the context of the past has strong influence.

He said, "That trauma is real and we have to account for it."

Supervisor Virginia Bass noted that although the City of Eureka reached a milestone with returning Indian Island to the tribe, it sent a letter in support of the project.

Supervisor Estelle Fennell said the project advances a visionary response to climate change but is "one of the most divisive issues I have ever dealt with."

The impacts "will be too much to bear for our environment and community," she continued, saying she couldn't support the project.

Board Chair Rex Bohn suggested he could, saying a wind energy project operating on Hatchet Ridge in Kern County is "very, very comparable" but "hasn't been the issue they thought it would be."

With a 3-2 rejection vote in the works, Wilson grasped for a path to approval, saying, "This is terrible, I'm crying, seriously – help me out, people."

Randy Hoyle, Terra-Gen's chief development officer, tossed a Hail Mary pass – a portion of the project's considerable tax revenue could be re-directed from the county to "affected communities" and his company would additionally establish a \$1 million endowment fund.

Bohn deferred to Wiyot tribal leader Cheryl Seidner, who had approached the podium.

"You would not sell your mother – we cannot sell our earth," she said.

With those words, the project's fate was assured – the board voted 4-1 to reject it, with Bohn casting the dissent vote. Bass explained her reversal by saying, "The writing's on the wall so I'll vote yes."

There was loud applause from the audience but for some, there's no sense of winning. "This is terrible – there's nothing good about this," Wilson had said.

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10. Increase

14. Shape

15. Strips

16. One of Jacob's boys

17. Body of water

18. Construct

19. Word of agreement

20. Make more palatable

22. Connective tissues

24. ___ of; free from

25. Exposed

26. Means of mounting a fence

29. High, rocky hill

30. Planet

34. British party member, once

35. Feel miserable

36. Indicate

37. Presidential nickname

38. Bohemian beer

40. Compete

41. Bitter hatred

43. Projecting flap

44. Believed

45. Break a commandment

46. Implore

47. Narratives

48. Character on "M*A*S*H"

50. Sweet potato

51. Liza Minnelli's 1972 hit

54. Enticed

58. Grad

59. Heart chambers

61. Roof feature

62. Female animal

63. Slants

64. Mailmen's beats: abbr.

65. Aspirin, for one

66. Goody

67. Went under

DOWN

1. Officers

2. Declare openly

3. Barn roof topper

4. Aged

5. Break a traffic law

6. Make

7. Wrath

8. Thick juice

9. Organic compound

10. Cheer

11. San ___; Italian resort

12. Baker's need

13. Is victorious

21. Bind

23. "No way!"

25. Reinforce

26. Twinklers

27. Go ___ for; defend

28. "Goodnight, ___"

29. Up to the time that, for short

31. Fictional work

32. Useful

33. Grains

35. Broadcast

36. Kerr, for short

38. ___ bear

39. Harp

42. Creamy candy

44. Impedes

46. Cake mixture

47. Head topper

49. Passed out

50. Leaven

51. Sleep outdoors

52. Jai ___

53. ___ lves


54. Actress Louise

55. Casual farewell

56. Like 4, 6, and 8

57. Piece of office furniture

60. Feminine name




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What's your business's power outage plan?

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Eddie Blakeslee
Los Bagels

We are going to put a large enough generator in to power the Arcata shop and take everything from Eureka there. If you're not proactive with a solution for yourself, you might get left behind.



Rafael Cardona
Philly Cheese Steak Shoppe

I want to have generators on the premises, but they're expensive. I would spend the money for the Eureka store because I have more freezer space and cooler space there.



Carly Robbins
Food For People

That is easy for us to answer! We need to put in a switch so that when we get a big 2500 kilowatt generator we have the ability to switch over.



Mark Loughmiller
Kokatat

We are looking at alternative power sources for partial operation for when these events occur. We already have 26 kilowatts of solar panels, but no battery system to allow operations during a power outage.



Kristina Culbertson
Post-Haste Mail Center

Get a generator. A while ago I had an electrician look at it and it was too expensive. But at this point I can't afford not to get one.



Katrina Vasquez
Holiday Inn Express

I did a post-power outage survey of my team and our guests. One thing is we will have flashlights and a list of resources of basic needs like gas and food ready in the case of another PSPS.

Preparedness | City of Arcata has 14 generators, some not so new

❖ FROM A1

Response training.

The current stock of city generators totals 14, with generators ranging in age from four years to 33 years old. Diemer reported, following the first public safety power shutoff, residents in Humboldt County purchased close to 3,000 generators.

The sudden proliferation of that many sometimes-dangerous generators wasn't without issues. Councilmember Susan Ornelas said that if people need to use a generator, they should understand how to use them.

The council will coordinate with Arcata Fire to improve awareness about appropriate use.

Community member and sustainable energy advocate Sean Armstrong suggested that Arcata, its government and its residents take advantage of

electric cars as an alternative for emergency power generation.

"Since these power outages are going to be a consequence of climate change," Armstrong said. "We as a city could start illustrating with some of the city's electric vehicles this practice now. The fire on the east side of the Plaza didn't have to happen... It is a long tradition of Arcata illustrating how to do backup power without combustion, which nearly took out a quarter of our Plaza."

To better inform the public on safe use of generators during emergencies, the City Council requested an informative pamphlet be inserted into city water bills. Beyond that, a banner was suggested to be hung over G Street to increase awareness about safe generator use. Ornelas also requested a community service ad that can be

run during breaks in the video feed of City Council meetings, which are now broadcast on YouTube.

Diemer estimated the full cost for CERT training for all employees would total 25,000. The Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) program educates volunteers about disaster preparedness for hazards that may impact their area and trains them in basic disaster response skills, such as fire safety, light search and rescue, team organization, and disaster medical operations.

"It would be really exciting if we could really have an initiative to have our employees get CERT trained," Council Member Sofia Pereira said. "I really want to underscore the incredible investment that would be for our community to have that as a resource."

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APD delivers joy during ‘Shop With A Cop’

CITY OF ARCATA
NOHUM – Several members of the Arcata Police Department joined law enforcement and fire personnel from throughout Humboldt County last Saturday for this year’s Shop With A Cop event in Eureka.

This event was started by the Eureka Police Department several years ago.

The Arcata Police Association donated the funds for five children from Arcata to participate.

Each child was provided \$100 to spend how they chose at the Target store in Eureka. Several officers and

deputies were overheard saying this event gives them great joy to participate in each year.

APD is very grateful for the opportunity to partner with public safety personnel and community members from throughout the region so that others could have this opportunity.

Special thanks to the Arcata Police Association and Sergeant Brian Hoffman, Detective Luke Scown, Detective Victoria Johnson, Officer Chris Rogers and Officer Evan Beechel for volunteering their time so that others could participate in this event.



SANTA COPS APD and Blue Lake Rancheria officers were among those escorting local children to Target in Eureka to assist them with their purchases. APD & BLUE LAKE RANCHERIA PHOTOS



HSU’s ‘Winter Wishes’ gifts local children

HUMBOLDT STATE
HUMBOLDT – The HSU community chipped in again to provide holiday gifts for 134 local children in need.

Winter Wishes, a program coordinated by Forever Humboldt, organized 91 sponsors, including alumni, staff, faculty, students, athletic teams, student clubs, and local community members.

Sponsors purchased more than 400 gifts for local children connected to seven different local nonprofit organizations. Dozens of HSU students, including the women’s soccer and softball teams, wrapped the presents at get-togethers last week. This is a way that students can participate in the program.



Stephanie Lane, alumni outreach lead, said the program has a large community impact.

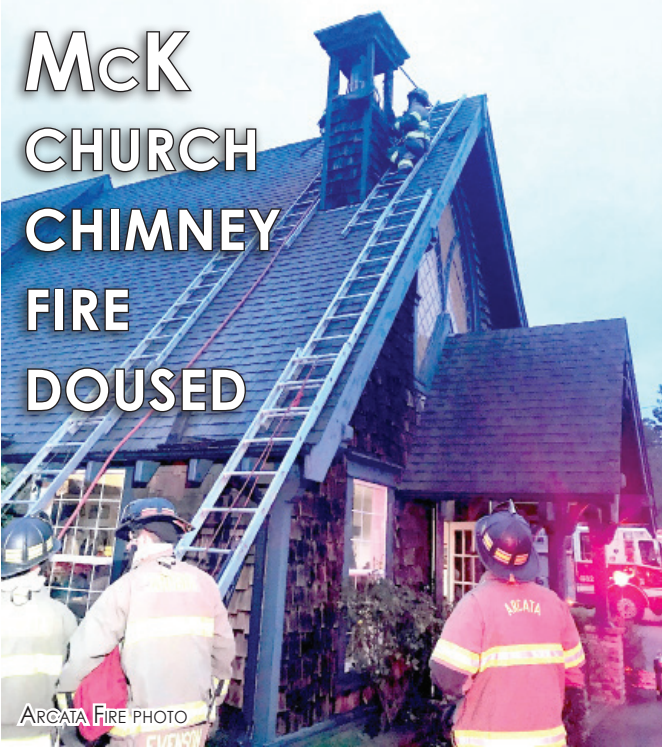
“This is such a special program because it allows kids to feel heard and seen during the holidays,” she says. “They ask for specific gifts and sponsors go shopping for exactly what they asked for. It’s personalized and the sponsors enjoy knowing that they are supporting a specific child in our community.”

Presents were delivered to the local nonprofit organizations on Dec. 19 and will be distributed to the children at their various Holiday celebrations.

“Winter Wishes would not be a success without the support of our generous HSU community,” says Lane. “Thank you to all who were involved!”



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ARCATA FIRE
McKINLEYVILLE – Arcata Fire District firefighters responded to an early morning chimney fire at Grace Good Shepherd Church.

Shortly before 7 a.m. church members involved in a meeting, called 911 to report flames coming from the chimney of the church.

Fire crews quickly arrived at the church and were able to use a ladder to climb the steep-pitched roof. Firefighters sprayed water on the fire and then gained access to the area around the stovepipe to ensure that no fire had penetrated the attic area of the church.

Damage to the structure was estimated to be \$5,000.

The Arcata Fire District would like to take this opportunity to remind residents of a few helpful tips

to keep families safe, while using fireplaces and wood stoves.

Have your fireplace and wood stoves inspected before you begin using them each year. A professional should clean the chimney to remove creosote, which can ignite and start a chimney fire. Use a tempered glass or metal screen over the fireplace opening; this keeps sparks inside. Never use papers, trash or liquid fuel in wood stoves or fireplaces.

Burn only wood in fireplaces and wood or wood pellets in wood stoves. Finally, when cleaning out ash, place collected remains inside a metal can and cover with a lid. Store the can outside, away from the home, until the ashes are completely cold.

From all of us at Arcata Fire District, have a happy and safe holiday season!

Rescue | Challenging save

❖ FROM A1

The Dolphin crew arrived on-scene at approximately 2 p.m. and found that California State Park Lifeguard Keven Harder was in the water and had established contact with the distressed surfer.

After it was determined that the swimmer was too fatigued to make it back to shore, Harder signaled the Dolphin crew to deploy their rescue swimmer to hoist the surfer.

Once the surfer was hoisted, the Dolphin crew remained on scene until Harder was able to swim back to the beach.

The fatigued surfer, Kris Nagel, was taken to the California Redwood

Coast – Humboldt County Airport and transferred to emergency medical services personnel who evaluated and released him.

“The success of today’s rescue can be directly traced to partnership and cooperation among first-response agencies,” said Lt. Thomas Cogley, the pilot in command of the Dolphin helicopter crew. “Despite the challenging conditions of breaking surf and underwater rocks, our regular training with the California State Park Lifeguards made the handoff from the lifeguard to the Coast Guard rescue swimmer seamless and expeditious.”

Bogus yoga master gets horribly handsy; disembodied dude denigrates doggie

• **Friday, November 22 1:48 p.m.** A teenager in Tina Court kept trying to start an uncooperative motor, so much so that someone wondered whether the kid was trying to start the engine on fire with his ceaseless torments.

1:18 p.m. A man in a black leather jacket with red stripes danced in circles in the middle of G Street in Northtown, his blonde ponytail bobbing jauntily as he pavement-pranced his way into the hearts and dispatcher logs of the townsfolk.

• **Saturday, November 23 1:27 p.m.** Parked in the narrow alley behind the Plaza bars, a pickup truck bed served as a mobile pen for two raging pit bulls, who barked menacingly in a toothsome frenzy. When an area person asked their slacker overlord to quiet them down, he instead threatened physical reprisals against the complainant as best as someone in dreadlocks and falling-down pants can muster.

4:23 p.m. Well of course the cable- and U-locks on the two bicycles left on Foster Avenue posed zero challenge to a bike thief. Eliminating those is about as hard as breathing for any semi-serious thief.

• **Monday, November 25**

12:01 p.m. A man at a K Street car wash was seen trying to force what looked like a hose through an SUV’s window for reasons possibly nefarious, with suspicions only heightened by the way he hid his face from passersby during the totally tubular procedure.

2:02 p.m. “Nobody cares,” said the male voice over and over from somewhere in the community forest. An officer met an East 13th Street resident to locate the source of the existential despair, and an arrest was made for something unspecified. But no one probably cares.

2:08 p.m. Another specimen from Arcata’s limitless supply of troubled males with oratorical tendencies greeted arrivals to the 14th Street entrance to the community forest with a tirade of entirely unearned hostile gibberish.

9:47 p.m. A woman said she took a yoga class at a Ninth Street studio, where the instructor, a slender male, touched her inappropriately. When she emailed the studio to complain, she got the horrifying news that no male instructors, slender or otherwise, work there.

11:32 p.m. Unlocked vehicles

continue to enjoy vast popularity as a place to store one’s wallet, have it be stolen and the plastic therein used at local stores before it is reported and the cards cancelled.

• **Tuesday, November 26 1:19 p.m.** A purple-haired woman who had been at the library since it opened went and cried in the bathroom about not having painkillers. Then, with bandages on her legs and sores on her hands, she sprawled out on two chairs near the public computers until moved very along.

8:59 p.m. As a woman walked into her Maria Court garage, she heard a disembodied man’s voice say that her dog was a bad dog. Eerily though, there was no one around, so she locked herself inside her house and called police.

• **Wednesday, November 27 10:38 a.m.** A man, a woman and an undifferentiated humanoid in a tan jacket moved traffic cones to the front of a Valley West store where everything’s a dollar, creating a passerby-argumentation station. But, having gone there for *bargains* *bargains* *bargains* rather than *verbal abuse*, *verbal abuse*, customers

complained and the trio was compelled to motate.

1:26 p.m. To express his dismay with a neighbor’s fence blowing over in the wind, a McKinnon Court resident chose from a hearty palette of well-proven vengeance tactics. Mere oaths and curses may have seemed too evanescent and shrug-offable, though the prospect of minor property damage held vast promise of the short-term gratification and later regret one craves in cases of shared-fence stress. Taking out magazine subscriptions in their name would take too long, and no grass clippings or dog waste were readily available for flinging into their yard. Instead, he mounted a systematic campaign of destruction on the neighbor’s solar lawn lights, smithereening them into tiny techno-ruins with his mighty foot. How this prevents fence blowdown remains unclear, though it could confirm all the scary claims about wind energy aired lately.

• **Thursday, November 28 12:31 p.m.** A goateed man and his green-overcoated sidekick took up residence in an L.K. Wood Boulevard storage shed, until booted and banished.

6:06 p.m. A man in a black

sweatshirt with an orange hood alternately harassed and enticed Arcata’s shell-shocked innocent passersby at a Uniontown shopping center. Some he argued with, others he “offered himself” to, based on some undisclosed criteria. At first he boldly turned aside entreaties to leave the premises and stood his ground, though he finally slunk away as all the snitty refuseniks eventually do, revealing the farcical nature of his intransigent stance.

6:13 p.m. A man called to report that he was being held hostage underneath the hospital, and that the phone call was being tampered with by unknown forces.

7:05 p.m. Drunken-boyfriend logic left a man no choice but to punch a woman’s Blake Court car, then her door, then be arrested.

8:41 p.m. Someone argued with a woman at the Community Center, where she threw a bottle to the ground and then went to lay down by the basketball court.

• **Friday, November 29 3:08 p.m.** Armed youths were seen roaming the undeveloped Glassfields lot just outside Arcata city limits, blasting birds with shotguns. They departed southbound on Janes Road, leaving the street littered with bird carcasses.



The president has betrayed his oath, so Congress honored theirs

Note: As pro-impeachment protesters rallied on the Plaza and across the nation last Tuesday night, Dec. 17, Rep. Jared Huffman offered this message of encouragement.

Dear Friends: You're taking to the streets at a critical, historic moment for our country, and I want to thank you for that. President Trump and his partisan, sycophant accomplices in Congress are eroding the integrity of our democracy, flouting our most critical checks and balances, and undermining the rule of law that has been the hallmark of our republic for the past 243 years. At an even more basic level, values we've always taken for granted — facts, truth, and common decency — are under attack.



We are in a fight for the heart and soul of America. That's why I'm doing everything I can to hold this President accountable for the full range of his dangerous misconduct — from his corrupt profiteering in violation of the Emoluments Clause, to his multiple acts of obstructing justice during the Russia investigation, to his criminal campaign finance violations as "Individual 1" in the scandal that put his personal attorney in prison, to the possibility of corrupt foreign financial influences that I believe will ultimately be revealed in the tax returns and financial records he has fought to keep secret. Most recently, it includes something we've never seen in the history of our republic: a President shaking-down a vulnerable



POODLE IMPEACHMENT Plaza protestors on what turned out to be Impeachment Eve.

foreign country to extract illegal help in his re-election campaign. President Trump undermined our national security and the integrity of our elections. He betrayed his oath of office. And when he was caught, he engaged in a cover-up and blatantly obstructed Congress' attempts to investigate and hold him accountable. I didn't go to Congress to impeach a President, but these actions are clearly impeachable and you can be sure I'll be voting "yes" on articles of impeachment tomorrow.

I wanted you to know that I'm with you — and that you're being with me in this historic time means the world to me and my staff. My Republican colleagues have been pounding the table and trying to deflect, because they know there is no valid excuse for the president's actions. No one can be above the law, not even the President. Not if we want to continue as a democratic republic. With so much at stake in this historic moment, I'm energized and inspired to see you and millions of other Americans today answering the call of citizenship and patriotism, showing that we understand these stakes and we're not going to let Trump hijack our democracy. The president and Republicans in Congress have betrayed their oaths of office. But my Democratic colleagues and I are honoring ours, and all of you are showing what American "greatness" is really all about. Thank you.

❖ LETTERS

Winkler saved Arcata more than \$500,000 on statue removal

You have mischaracterized Mayor Winkler's estimates of the cost to remove our statue of president McKinley as "false and divisive." (*Union*, Dec. 18) His estimates of \$525,000 for the statue removal were based on the actual cost of removing four statues in New Orleans which came to \$2,100,000.00 or \$525,000 per statue. cnn.com/2017/06/12/us/new-orleans-confederate-monument-removal-price-trnd/index.html Why were the costs so high? Litigation and extensive police overtime was involved. Arcata dodged that bullet... barely... thanks to Winkler's leadership. San Antonio spent \$258,680 to remove a single statue. foxnews.com/us/confederate-monument-removal-costs-piling-up-for-cities Costs in Dallas to remove a single statue crept past \$450,000. nbcdfw.com/news/local/cost-to-remove-confederate-statue-could-climb-to-450k/38680/ You can find more data on the actual costs incurred to remove various municipal statues online. Arcata is fortunate to have a Mayor who was able to steer the city through a statue removal without incurring such exorbitant costs.

Sincerely,
Gordon Inkeles
Bayside

❖ Sign your letter to the Mad River Union with a real name and a city of origin, plus a phone number (which won't be published) for identity verification and send it to opinion@madriverunion.com.

Make America impeach again

Deplorable Donald Trump
Is a self-pitiful disgrace.
Two Articles of Impeachment
Right in Trump's angry orange face!
Traitor Trump always blames
His crackpot crimes on anyone else.
Everyone gets thrown under the bus
Other than Donald Trump himself.
Who needs patriotic whistleblowers?
When Trump freely admits his guilt.
King Donald the First is above the law!
(Or so says corrupt Moscow Mitch.)
Trump says he'll do whatever he wants.
So stay away from 5th Avenue,
Unless you're looking to get shot.
Trump's taxpayer funded attorneys
Actually argued this in a court of law.
Trump thinks he can shoot you, y'all!
The 25th Amendment
Should have been used long ago.
Republicans fell down on the job,
So Democrats picked up the load.
After Trump's out, send him to Club Fed.
Unlike Jeffrey Epstein, Bill Barr will
Prevent Trump from ending up dead.
Moscow Mitch McConnell put in the fix
Instead of having a real Senate trial.
Let those Senators earn their pay by
Listening to fact witnesses for awhile.
Demented Donald Trump is 100 percent guilty.
If your eyes are open, this you can see.
Convict, remove, and imprison
This racist Russian stooge A.S.A.P.
Get rid of Putin's puppet Benedict Donald
Before it is too late.
Merry Christmas and Happy New Year, United States!
Sincerely,
Jake Pickering
Arcata

A better health paradigm

It is a false belief that we can save money on a health-care system that involves profit taking. Not to mention the wasteful 18 percent administrative, overhead costs incurred by private health insurance companies compared to, for example, the 1 1/2 percent Medicare expends. And also not to mention the billions of dollars in profit taken by pharmaceutical companies, charging us sometimes as much as 100 times the overseas cost. Incrementalist and private health insurance inclusive plans like Medicare for America, MedicareX, Public Option, etc. are untenable because of their adherence to the status quo. These are the simple principles supporting the idea of single payer, a system whereby a single non-profit agency (in this case, the government) administers the payment of all medical bills and costs without disrupting privately delivered health care. Taking out profit, reducing overhead, accompanied by negotiating prices with corporate pharmaceutical companies, would give us the latitude to spend less (anywhere from \$2 to 5 trillion in the next decade) and provide high-quality healthcare access to every resident, instead of the inequitable, rationed-by-income, piece-meal non-system we struggle under today. The resulting paradigm gives us unprecedented freedom of choice in any doctor, clinic or hospital as well as freedom from fear of financial ruin due to medical bankruptcy. This program would guarantee coverage for all, from cradle to grave, regardless of employment, race, gender, economic or martial status — you get the idea. Concepts like freedom, independence, security, protection of family, and the American Dream, all embedded in both conservative and progressive values, are realized in a single-payer health care system--a simple, elegant and superbly American proposition. Want to learn more? Health Care for All/Physicians for a National Health Program — Humboldt meets every fourth Wednesday at 5 p.m. at The Sanctuary, 1301 J St., Arcata. The public is always welcome!
Patty Harvey, director, HCA/PNHP — Humboldt
Willow Creek

An Arcata firefighter and his family need your help

Jenny Perillo

FRIENDS OF ANTHONY BENELISHA
HUMBOLDT — Anthony “Benny” Benelisha is a husband, father, and friend who was recently diagnosed with colo-rectal cancer at the age of 27. Anthony achieved his dream of becoming a firefighter six years ago and has been working with the Arcata Fire District since. In that short time, Anthony has been awarded Rookie of the Year, Firefighter of the Year, and the Fire Chief's Achievement Award. In addition to firefighting, Anthony has also been an EMT working for Arcata-Mad River Ambulance for six years. Over the past several years, Anthony has volunteered for deployment to the Soberanes Fire, the Thomas Fire, the Camp Fire. He's done this because of his firmly rooted belief of service above self. In addition to volunteering for assignments to large fires, Anthony has always made time to better himself as firefighter. He travels to fire conferences every year, and volunteers to teach local classes to newer firefighters beginning their careers. Three years ago Anthony met the love of his life, Ashleigh, and two years ago they got married. In addition to becoming a firefighter and marrying the woman of his dreams, Anthony always wanted to be a father. That dream came true when his daughter Eleanor was born on March 14, 2019. This year, Anthony began his schooling to become a paramedic, but had to drop out due to his diagnosis and the side effects of the treatments involved. Along with dropping out of school, Anthony also had to stop working. Anthony is an incredibly loyal and kind man. He always looks out for the well being of everyone around him. He is well-loved and highly respected by his peers and co-workers for always doing the right thing. He doesn't just do the right thing when no



FIREFIGHTER & FAMILY Arcata Firefighter Anthony Benelisha. Right, Anthony, Eleanor and Ashleigh.

SUBMITTED PHOTOS

one is looking, he does the right thing when everyone is looking, even if it's the unpopular thing to do. He is a true craftsman, and enjoys spending his down time building furniture, cooking for his family, and raising his daughter. Anthony is currently under the care of an oncologist at UCSF, and has begun his first round of chemotherapy. His current treatment plan is two rounds of chemotherapy for six weeks each followed by surgical removal of the tumor. The surgery will likely leave him with a permanent colostomy. Anthony is currently pursuing a worker's compensation claim, since the cancer is very likely job-related, however, other firefighters with job-related cancer in the comp. system have stated that it can take up to five years or more to begin getting any reimbursement. Because of this, Anthony and his wife have had to pay for some treatments out of pocket in order to be able to continue with treatments. During Anthony's first round of chemotherapy, he has to travel down to UCSF every two weeks from Eureka for his treatment. During that time, he has been staying with friends and family, when possible, for three days, and then traveling home.

When he is unable to stay with friends or Ashleigh and Eleanor are able to join him, he and Ashleigh have to pay for doggy day care as well as a hotel or Airbnb for them to stay in. While Ashleigh wants to be there for every treatment, she is also having to work full time and therefore can't attend every appointment. When she does however, it also means that along with all the other expenses, they are losing money for missed days of work. During Anthony's second round of treatment, he will need to live in San Francisco since his appointments will be Monday through Friday for six weeks, and Ashleigh, Eleanor and their dog Kevin will stay behind. We are looking to raise enough money to cover Anthony's travels to and from his treatment as well as his food and lodging during both rounds of treatment. Additionally, the money will be used to cover his wife and daughter's expenses as they travel down and back to see him, lodging for Kevin, and for any medical expenses that don't get covered or they have to pay ahead of time. All funds raised will be going straight to the family for their needs. As an example, travel expenses alone



cost: gas, \$50 to 60 each way; food, \$100-ish each trip; parking, \$32 each visit (2 per treatment); doggie daycare, \$100; bridge tolls, \$8. Total: \$332 If we multiply this by the six initial treatments and trips is comes to \$1,992 An average Airbnb expense for three days is \$1200. Anthony will have to rent a place for six weeks during the second round of treatments. If he is unable to find an apartment that will rent to him for such a short time, he will have to stay in a hotel or Airbnb that allows all three of them so that Ashleigh and Eleanor can come when they are able. Based on the cost of their last three day Airbnb stay, the six weeks could cost up to \$16,800 for lodging alone. If you have any other questions about where money is going or anything else, please feel free to contact me. For those asking about dates, Anthony will be doing his second round of treatments and offering to help find him a place to live, thank you so much! I don't have the dates yet because they are not set in stone. They are set to start six weeks after his first round ends, so around May, but this could change if he goes in for a round of chemo and the tests come back saying he is not healthy enough for that round yet which then prolongs the process. I will update and also send out an update once there are set dates. Thank you to everyone who has reached out and offered to help find housing! Thank you for any and all support for Anthony. If you feel called to do so, please share his story with others. He is a truly incredible man, and we are eager to see him healthy and back on the fire engine again. *Contribute to Anthony “Benny” Benelisha's medical fund at the [gofundme.com](https://www.gofundme.com/help-firefighter-anthony-benelisha-fight-cancer) page, “Help firefighter Anthony Benelisha fight cancer.”*



NEWSY NOSHING The Mad River Union’s annual Holiday Dinner at Mazzotti’s On The Plaza was well attended by staff and associates. Arcata’s independent community newspaper wishes happy holidays to all with hopes for a positive 2020. **MATT FILAR | UNION**



TOY TREASURY Arcata Fire District Board Director Nicole Johnson, Captain Ross McDonald, Firefighter Nick Hurn, Firefighter Evan Gibbs, Captain Marcus Lillard, Chief Justin McDonald, Greg Gardner, Marine Corp League Toys for Tots Coordinator and Captain Nate Padula. **MATT FILAR | UNION**

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ARCATA FIRE DISTRICT
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The Arcata Fire Family would like to thank the following businesses that assisted this year:

Blondie’s Hair Salon, Coast Central Credit Union Valley West and Arcata, CVS – Arcata, Jacobson James and Associates, Ken’s Auto Parts, Kmart, Little Learners Preschool, Lube Central, Mad River Community Hospital, Murphy’s Market – Sunny Brae, and Westwood, Napa Auto Parts – Valley West, NorCal Tattoo, Redwood Capitol Bank – Arcata, Rotary Club of Arcata Sunrise, Sequoia Gas – Valley West, Stars Hamburgers, The Rocking Horse, Toni’s Restaurant, Tractor Supply - Arcata, Trim Scene Barbershop, Ultimate Yogurt – Arcata, Umpqua Bank – Arcata, and Wells Fargo Bank – Arcata.

This year’s collection will help the children of our community that are in need, to get a toy for Christmas. The Arcata Fire Family has collaborated with the U.S. Marine Corp League for the last 16 years and are thrilled with the outpouring of support that we have received throughout the years.
The local impact of Toys for Tots has helped support over 5,000 children, with 11,000 toys distributed through the Marine Corp League, last year alone.
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LET IT SNOW Arcata Main Street’s Winter Solstice Snow Party saw a Snow Party with The Snowflake Queen Shoshanna, left, jolly elves, right and live music with Bandemonium! Below, kids frolic and play the Eskimo way on the Plaza. **PHOTOS BY MATT FILAR | UNION**



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For more information, contact your school district of residence. If you are unsure of your district of residence, visit hcoe.org/district-locator.

Humboldt County Office of Education

20/20 Vision for a New Year (post-visions of sugar plums)

Christmas will probably be over by the time you read this, and the Teens Decade is fading fast. (If that's what it was.) It's time for 20/20 vision in a New Year, and on the Eve before, with parties galore. But I'm getting ahead here. Let's finish off 2019 first.

The **Paula Jones Band** is down in the Basement Friday evening, Dec. 27, between Xmas and New Year's Eve, 8 to 10 p.m. "This lady has more soul than the average country!" declare the folks at the Basement, and I guess I agree, although I'm not sure exactly what that means. I presume her band is some variation on **RLA** (aka TiMiKen).

Same Friday, at 7 p.m., Northtown Books welcomes **Chelsea Fairless** on tour with her new book, **We Are All Mirandas**. The bookstore tells me, "The book is a snarky guide to life inspired by the most underrated character on *Sex and the City*, from the creators of the Instagram sensation *@everyoutfitonSATC*," which is "a quest to document every outfit on the



show."

Chelsea Fairless is an L.A.-based creative director and digital content creator with a background in fashion history and graphic design. In 2016, she co-created that Insta-account with **Lauren Garroni** and it went viral, including being dubbed "Fashion's favorite Instagram" by *Vogue*. They're up to 637K followers, including **Sarah Jessica Parker**. Of course, a book followed. We presume they chose Miranda because she's the most sarcastic character on the show.

While we're talking fashion, are you getting ready to dress-to-impress for NY Eve? Saturday afternoon, Dec. 28, 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. **SCRAP** has a class with **Amy Fowler**. "The local hat maker and owner of **Humboldt Haberdashery**, is hosting her popular and inspiring Hat Making class just in time for New Years festivities."

You'll learn how to create "your own unique fascinator hat," whatever that is. (I'm sure Amy will explain.) BTW, Amy was among the local artists who was awarded a sizable grant via the **Victor Jacoby Award**, a fund administered by the Humboldt Area Foundation. She'll use the money to learn how to make even fancier hats.

There was an answer on *Jeopardy*



AULD LANG SYNE Happy New Decade!
PHOTO BY BOB DORAN

awhile back — you know how that works — you supply the question. "Super Diamond honors him," was the clue. The question, "Who is Neil Diamond?"

"I've met them and I have been to their shows, they're wonderful!" said **Neil Diamond** himself to **Katie Couric** on the *Today Show* around the same time.

San Francisco's **Super Diamond** is a cover band deluxe, with front man **Randy Cordeiro** aka "The Surreal Neil," channel-

ling the real Mr. Diamond, who incidentally did not change his sparkly name for show biz. His parents were New Yorkers Akeeba "Kieve" Diamond, a dry-goods merchant, and Rose (née Rapoport). Doors for Super Diamond at 7 p.m., show at 8 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 28, in the Sapphire Palace at Blue Lake Casino. VIP seating available if you're feeling important.

Saturday at the Arcata Playhouse, the last show of 2019 features **Georgia Ruth and The Reverie** with "original songs, both old and new, and a few of their favorite cover tunes." Not sure if there's VIP seating there, where everyone is important. Showtime is 8 p.m.

Same night you can dance to **DJ L Boogie** on a "Sexy MF'ing Saturday," "this and every last Saturday of the month at The Griffin. Bring your sexy MF'ing self and groove to R&B, Hip Hop, Soul, Latin and more." Get down!

Or, over at The Jam on Saturday it's **"The Last Getdown for Now!"** with Pete inviting you to get down with the **Get-down crew** one more time before he turns the reigns over to the new owners (from AA Bar & Grill). That band's membership is fluid, and they're not saying exactly who

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HOLIDAY GLOW The Logger Bar in Blue Lake features dazzling Christmas decor. JANINE VOLKMAR | UNION

Logger Bar decor goes 'over the top'

Janine Volkmar
MAD RIVER UNION
BLUE LAKE — The Logger Bar in downtown Blue Lake has, according to its owner, Kate Martin, become "a holiday destination." Just as many locals have made it an annual tradition to visit the decorated tree at the Eureka Inn, checking out the opulent display at the Logger may become the new thing.

Ceiling decorations at the Logger have always been fun to look at year-round since they include chain saws of all sizes and hard hats of all types, some squashed in action long ago.

But Martin and "a tribe of women who came to help one night" have really outdone themselves this season. There are themes. There are separate colors for areas. The snow people have taken over the ledge above the woodstove.

On a stormy nasty day last week, we headed in to check it out. Since my raincoat had chosen that day to give up its water repellency, I beelined for the blazing warmth of the tall woodstove. Looking up, I felt the gazes of snow men, snow women, snow elves, and all sorts of frozen creatures from the mantel surrounding the stove. It was a surprise that they hadn't all melted.

Martin gave us the tour. The nook beside the bar is decorated in green lights, ornaments, and stars and she's calling it "A Star is Born." The area around the pool table is exclusively red — red lights, red ornaments, and candy canes, possibly to make victory (or loss) at the table sweeter.

A room with a painted gold ceiling has been adorned with a spiral of gold ornaments, lights, and snowflakes. A row of nutcrackers look down upon patrons at the bar.

The *Union* covered this last year in the first year of Martin's decorating efforts. But even if you saw it last year, don't miss this season's "over-the-top holiday decorations." They will be up until Jan. 6. a decision I applaud. It's a tradition to keep decorations up until the day of Epiphany, the sixth.

After all, if it took the Wise Men that long to travel to see the baby Jesus, it may take modern folks that long to make the trek to Blue Lake.

People who take their decorations down the day after Christmas are, in my opinion, spoiling the leisurely luxury of the holidays.

The Logger Bar is open daily with a calendar full of free events this month. loggerbar.com



PLEIN AIR Left, Trinidad State Beach by local painter Jim McVicker. Right, Steve Porter, Jim McVicker, Jody Bryan, Paul Rickard and Ken Jarvela.



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Watercolorists paint 'Through Humboldt Fog'

HUMBOLDT OPEN AIR WATERCOLOR PAINTERS

EUREKA — A show titled "Through Humboldt Fog" opens during Arts Alive Eureka on Saturday, Jan. 4 at the Morris Graves Museum of Art, 636 F St., in Eureka.

A reception takes place from 6 to 9 p.m.

In the history of California plein air painting, the work and activities of the renowned artists who lived and painted the vistas of Carmel, Laguna, Los Angeles, and the High Sierras is well documented and recorded in the historical record.

In contrast, in the far north of California in counties like Humboldt, art

and artistry have evolved in isolation and against the odds.

Five artists, Jim McVicker, Steve Porter, Jody Bryan, Ken Jarvela and Paul Rickard - who call themselves the Humboldt Open Air Watercolor Painters, have banded together to explore the possibilities of atmospheric watercolor painting.

Over the decades, these five painters have quietly persevered in the land of rain and fog, the marine coast and the mountains and rivers of the Pacific Northwest.

Alone or together, in the studio and on the precipice, these painters continue to inspire one another to push, probe and ponder the often

chaotic and spontaneous avocation of watercolor painting.

For them, the practice of art is an open-ended journey of exploration, to be shared and savored, unfolding daily with the droplets of paint, changing tides, and clearing skies.

Through Jan. 12, the group will show their collective vision of the Humboldt Landscape and Pacific Northwest at the Morris Graves Museum.

Now in their sixties and seventies, the painters have returned to the windswept coast, tallest trees in the world, mountain peaks, and raging rivers of Humboldt County and beyond to prepare for this major show.



ONE MAN BAND Piet Dalmolen, who plays solo guitar, is back at Westhaven Center for the Arts, 501 South Westhaven Dr. in Westhaven, for a neighborhood concert on Friday Dec. 27 at 7:30 p.m. Admission is \$5 to \$20 on a sliding scale and refreshments will be available. Acting as a "one man band," he uses loops and effects to create

unique interpretations of classic songs from all genres. Improvisation and spontaneity add an extra creative element with one song blending seamlessly into another. Piet began his music career at HSU where he developed his skills as a guitarist, composer and bandleader. After graduating, he spent the better part of a decade touring with Jam-Rock band The Nucleus. He has since performed with improv musical giants such as Skerik and DJ Logic as well as local favorites B.Swizlo, Josephine Johnson and Joanne Rand.

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AT THE SIX RIVERS BREWERY IN MCKINLEYVILLE Anna Hamilton performs blues and rock on Friday, Dec. 27 from 5 to 8 p.m. at the Six Rivers Brewery, 1300 Central Ave. in McKinleyville.

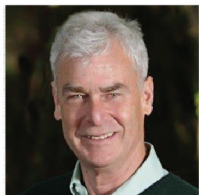
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Sign up for winter camp

Christmas may be over, but the holiday magic is not. Have you had a chance to walk into the Logger Bar? If not, try to get in before Jan. 6 to see all the Holiday magic! Christmas lights galore fill the ceiling!

Don't know what your kids can do during the Winter Break? There is still a little time to sign up for the Blue Lake Parks and Recreation Winter Break Camp. Contact the Parks and Rec office for details. This camp is fun for those 12 and under! Affordable and fun!

Did you know that Jewell Distillery has expanded their hours? You can now go check out their production, grab a cocktail, and even a belated holiday gift, on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays from 1 to 6 p.m.

The coming year is going to be filled with so many amazing things, so keep your eyes peeled. There will be no column from me next week as I'll be busy with my family for the holidays. Because of that, I hope you can mark your calendar for the next Mad River Grange Breakfast, the first of the new year, on Jan. 12 from 8 to 11 a.m. at the Grange, located at 110 Hatchery Rd., next to the Logger Bar.



❖ BLUE LAKE NOTES
April Sousa

HOARDING SUPPORT GROUPS Area 1 Agency on Aging offers two ongoing support groups to addressing challenges faced by people with hoarding disorder and their families and friends. The groups will be on break during the holiday season and will restart in January. The group for people who self-identify as having clutter/hoarding challenges meets on the second and fourth Friday of each month from 3:30 to 5 pm. Group members who commit to regular attendance will receive a copy of *Buried in Treasures* by Drs. Tolin, Frost and Steketee while supplies last. The group for family and friends meets on the second and fourth Thursday of each month from 3:30 to 5 pm. Group members who commit to regular attendance will receive a copy of *Digging Out* by Drs. Tompkins and Hartl while supplies last. Both meetings take place at the A1AA Eureka office, 434 7th S., with free off street parking behind the building. Anyone interested must call Maggie Kraft at (707) 442.3763 for information and screening prior to attending.

STORY MAN Humboldt Literacy Project and the Humboldt County Library welcome the "Story Man" to Family Literacy Night on Wednesday, Jan. 15 at 6:30 p.m. at the Eureka Library, 1313 Third St. in Eureka. Prepare to be enchanted as master storyteller Baba Jamal Koram unfolds children's tales "filled with the warmth of the African sun." Koram uses simple stories to emphasize key ideas that appeal to ages youth through adult. Parents, extended families and teachers are all invited to enjoy this exciting literacy event. All children attending are welcome to choose a free book after the show, generously donated by Rain All Day Books, Tin Can Mailman and members of this community. Eureka Family Literacy Night is sponsored by First 5 Humboldt. For more information about Humboldt Literacy Project and the life-changing service it provides call (707) 445-3655 or visit humlit.org.



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MCKINLEYVILLE – On Nov. 2, Mad River Rotary Club held their annual fundraiser. This year, the club chose the Trades Academy program, through the Humboldt County Office of Education (HCOE), as the beneficiary. More than 300 people attended the event at Blue Lake Casino's Sapphire Palace.

Several businesses sponsored tables, donated auction items, and contributed towards the success of this annual event. In total, Mad River Rotary contributed \$32,000 to the Trades Academy program.

Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Chris Hartley states, "HCOE is extremely grateful for this generous donation from the Mad River Rotary and all the community and business members who participated in the fundraising event. We are excited about partnering with our local schools to help bring Career Education and opportunities to work in the trades to life for students across Humboldt County."

HCOE started the Trades Academy in response to local employers who shared that one of their biggest issues is finding skilled trades people given the previous generation reaching retirement age. With generous support from the Workforce Development Board and Humboldt Area Foundation, HCOE initiated a pilot program in 2018-19.



MAD RIVER ROTARIANS From left, Dr. Chris Hartley, Dave Turner, Jack Sheppard, Otto van Emmerik, Ben Shepherd, Fatima Zinselmeir, Carol Rische, Katie Cutshall, Bob Sutter and Samantha Howard. SUBMITTED PHOTO

The Trades Academy is delivering Career Technical Education (CTE) to schools on campus by providing instruction and projects in an innovative Mobile Training Lab. HCOE also engages the business and construction trades' community to provide hands-on education and important industry-related information both in the classroom and out in the field on work sites.

To date, more than 60 "Industry Partners" have participated in the students' education, providing classrooms, real-world projects and mentoring. With these industry partners,

the Trades Academy is supporting all local high school CTE courses by providing advanced instruction.

Mad River Rotary President, Carol Rische also thanks the numerous people and businesses who supported the event. "Mad River Rotary is proud to support our youth and help ensure they have access to the Trades and Career Tech Education. It's about them and their future in our community."

For more information about the Trades Academy, please contact Regional Trades Education Liaison, Jack Sheppard, at (707) 499-4674 or jsheppard@hcoe.org.

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will play. Starts 9-ish.

What's interesting is, the **Pete Ciotti Trio** is booked at the same time at the Basement, also with a 9 p.m. start time. They tend to end their shows earlier, so maybe Pete can play both gigs. Keys wiz **Brian "Swiz" Swizlo** also indicates that he'll be at both shows, if you believe checking the "Going" box on Facebook means anything.

Sunday and Monday seem quiet, so that brings us to the end of the decade. We'll start in Blue Lake, where on Tuesday, Dec. 31, there's **"A New Years Eve Celebration"** at Sapphire Palace (at Blue Lake Casino). "Ring in the New Year with Humboldt's favorite cover band, **The Undercovers** and a special **Tribute to Queen**." A 21+ free show.

Down the road at E&O Bowl they have a two-part **New Years Eve Honky-Tonk Hootenanny** featuring two fine "boot scoot'n, knee slappin'" bands, **Barn Fire and Rooster McClintock**. There's an early matinee show from 5 to 7 p.m. "for you old timers and party hoppers," then a late show starting at 9 p.m. Also free, or as they put it, "FREE!!!"

At Six Rivers Brewery in McKinleyville you are invited to "relive the past while we jump into the future! Dress up and dance to all your favorite '80s and '90s jams! Don't miss out!" Music by **DJ Pressure** and **DJ Joe-E**. "Costumes highly encouraged."

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Pastor Chuck Clark

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and World Famous Productions present a **"Roaring 20's NYE Party."** They promise a "Champagne Toast at Midnight," but as of press time, the "Line-Up TBA." Look online and they'll probably know. My guess? EDM.

Since there are several "Roaring" parties yet to come, I'll insert an email I received from our copy editor, **Kevin Hoover**, re: "Apostrophe usage."

"Bob," he wrote, "when you cite a decade, the apostrophe needs to point to the missing numbers. It's the same with words. This week's column includes this: '60s, when it should be this: '60s. Just FYI."

Now I'll admit, I didn't think it mattered, and when I type it, well, it's not easy to flip that comma, but I've been trying. Anyway, that "Roaring 20's" NYE should be a Roaring '20s NYE. (FYI.)

At HumBrews, they have "a night of hard hitting soul from Humboldt's local legends, **Object Heavy**, performing a unique night of original music with a special tribute to some of Motown's greatest records." Southern Humboldt's **SoulHum DJ J-Riggs** will be there with an "all-vinyl" set. "You don't want to miss what's guaranteed to be a raging soul and funk dance party to ring in the new decade, Motown 2020." Starts at 9:30 p.m.

At The Jam it's "New Years Eve 2020" with **Dan and the Americans** and **Spunj**, "a high energy, multi-genre'd fusion four piece based out of Eugene, Oregon," in what's described as "interlocking sets." Lights and visuals by @shawnlelighting

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"ring in 2020" with festivities beginning at 9 p.m. New Year's Eve. "Music by **L Boogie**. Toast at midnight. No cover. Black and gold attire is a must!!!"

At Richard's Goat and the Miniplex, **DJ Sonido Pachanguero** will be ringing in the New Year with salsa, cumbia, and Latin EDM. Dress up, it's about to be the roaring '20s all over again! There's a drink minimum, 9 til close! Drink specials, come in early for \$2 tacos from 6 til 9! NO COVER!"

At Redwood Raks, **Redwood Fusion and Monday Night Swing** offer "a spectacular Roaring '20s New Year's Dance, (on Tuesday, in case you're confused) 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. in two rooms, one for swing, the other for fusion. Dance lessons are from 8 to 8-30. "All ages, Martinelli toasts, balloon drop, concessions, 1920s costume contest, photo booth, more!"

The Speakeasy suggests, "Let's party like its the '20s again, because it is!" as they present a **"Roaring '20s themed New Year's Bash."** From 4 to 9 p.m. they'll have a street fair including live music, vendors, food, a beer and wine garden "and more!" (They don't say who's playing music.) This "family friendly" event has a New York count down at 9 p.m. where that big ball comes down with the ghost of **Dick Clark** doing the countdown. Proceeds from the beer garden benefit Planned Parenthood. Then the party moves indoors inside the Speakeasy (for 21+) from 9 p.m.-2 a.m. with a champagne toast at midnight.

Not far from there in the Historic Eagle House, aka The Inn at 2nd and C, "It's time to bring on the next decade with an insane **Intergalactic GLOW-WWW Party for NYE 2020!**" The headliner is **Wood Rowe Farguerson Jr., aka MC Radio-Active**, a Grammy award winning beatbox master, who I remember from his days with **Spearhead**, performing here with **True Justice**. Also on the bill: **Mr. Rogers** (not the one from PBS, since he's dead), **BangData, Mark Starr** (aka DIRTYBIRD), **Nima G (from Trippy Ass Technologies), Sacre**

Cheu, DJ Soules, Marjo Lak, D'Vinity and Skinny Pepperwood. In addition, they have an aerial silks show, live art, a photo booth (where you can memorialize your glow), a kava bar, assorted vendors, VIP lounge... "SO MUCH FUN!!!"

Then the next day, when you've recovered from that decade, the folks from **Outer Space** present, a big all ages party with a few of my lovely friends on Wednesday, Jan. 1, 2020, from 7 to 11 p.m. Of course, as you may have heard (here and elsewhere) Outer Space is currently homeless, so the show they had booked in advance was moved to the **Arcata Playhouse** (thanks Jackie). Yes, "Gun-safe is baaaaaack!!!" and sharing a bill with **Lyndsey Battle**, and **Belles of the Levee**, getting our 20/20 vision in focus.

Lyndsey, and Stella (the heart and soul of **Gun-safe**) are true certified friends. You may or may not remember, but I had a stroke in 2013. When I was recovering, learning to talk, walk, and live again, my wife put the word out, I was in St. Joe's and if anyone wants to come see me, well, I might appreciate some music.

Lyndsey came by with her uke and sang some songs and talked to me as I lay in bed. Then Stella visited with stand-up bass player (and stand-up guy) **Norm Crawford**. They came around lunch time, and I was in the dining room with a bunch of much older old folks. Stella read the room, and started off with some **Hank Williams** tunes that pleased the old folks greatly, then sang a couple more by Hank and some **Patsy Cline**. It was perfect, picked up my spirits along with everybody there.

They say "a friend in need is a friend indeed," and it's so true.

These folks will always be my friends, and not just because they showed up in my time of need, but because they're good people. Thanks again.

And on that note, I'm starting to tear up, so I'll wish you a happy New Year, and good things in the next decade, where our vision will be 20/20.

MARSH BIRDING Redwood Region Audubon Society is sponsoring a free public field trip at the Arcata Marsh and Wildlife Sanctuary on Saturday, Dec. 28. Bring your binoculars and have a great morning birding! Meet leader Bob Battagin in the parking lot at the end of South I Street (Klopp Lake) in Arcata at 8:30 a.m., rain or shine. Trip ends around 11 a.m.

WIGI WETLANDS WORKDAY Join Redwood Region Audubon Society for a Wigi Wetlands Volunteer Work Day on Saturday, Dec. 28. Help restore bird-friendly habitat by removing large swathes of scotch broom and lots of other invasive plant species, as well as trash, from a stretch of the bay trail right behind the Bayshore Mall. Meet us at 9 a.m. at the back of parking lot between Kohl's and Sportsman's Warehouse (intersection of Christie and Howell streets). Tools and gloves will be provided, or you are welcome to bring your own. Light refreshments, water, and coffee will be available, please bring your own containers. Work ends at 11:00 a.m. For more information, contact Jeremy Cashen at (214) 605-7368 or jeremy.cashen@yahoo.com.

MARSH TOUR Friends of the Arcata Marsh (FOAM) is sponsoring a free tour of the Arcata Marsh & Wildlife Sanctuary on Saturday, Jan. 4 at 2 p.m. Meet leader

Elliott Dabill at the Interpretive Center on South G Street for a two-hour walk focusing on the ecology of the marsh. Loaner binoculars available with photo ID. For more information, call (707) 826-2359.

MARSH WILDFLOWERS Friends of the Arcata Marsh (FOAM) is sponsoring a free tour of the Arcata Marsh & Wildlife Sanctuary on Saturday, January 11 at 2 p.m. Meet leader Jenny Hanson at the Interpretive Center on South G Street for a 90-minute walk focusing "Marsh Wildflowers in Winter." Loaner binoculars available with photo ID. For more information, call (707) 826-2359.

TRINIDAD GEOLOGY Learn the stories rocks can tell on a Trinidad Coastal Land Trust guided walk led by Danny O'Shea, HSU Geology and Oceanography Lecturer on Sunday, Jan. 19 from 2 to 4 p.m. O'Shea is skilled at helping students of all levels relate to and understand the processes that shape the coast and create the dramatic landscapes we enjoy. Dress for the weather and enjoy this introduction to the geology and habitats of Trinidad State Beach during winter low tide when many of the rocks are more exposed. Meet at the Memorial Lighthouse across from Trinidad State Beach. Reservations required. Call (707) 677-2501 or info@trinidadcoastallandtrust.org.



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CITY OF ARCATA
ARCATA – The City of Arcata Environmental Services Department encourages the community to consider giving the gift of nature this holiday season.
When members of the community give the gift of nature, they give a gift to the community that will last for generations.
The Arcata Forest Fund at the Humboldt Area Foundation provides a source for private, tax-deductible donations that assist the city with purchasing forest lands to expand local forests including the Arcata Community Forest, Sunny Brae Forest and Jacoby Creek Forest.
Donations to this fund go directly toward the purchase and restoration of local forest lands and help the city leverage state and

federal grants. Forest lands purchased with these funds help preserve and expand open space around Arcata, and will be managed for recreation, watershed and habitat protection, carbon sequestration and sustainable forestry use.
Donations to the Arcata Forest Fund can be made online by visiting hafoundation.org/Giving/Make-a-Gift-Today/Give-Now, or by calling the Humboldt Area Foundation at (707) 442-2993. Community members may also send donations by mail to: Humboldt Area Foundation, 363 Indinola Rd., Bayside, CA 95524.
For more information about City of Arcata forests, please contact the Environmental Services Department at (707) 822-8184 or visit cityofarcata.org.

PHOTO COMPETITION The Humboldt Arts Council is pleased to announce a new juried photography competition and exhibition that celebrates the 20th Anniversary of the Morris Graves Museum of Art. The *20/20 Vision: 20th Anniversary Fine Art Photography Competition & Exhibition* is open to all photographers. Submissions will be accepted in person on Wednesday, Jan. 15 from noon to 5 p.m.

at the Morris Graves Museum of Art, 636 F St., Eureka. The exhibition is sponsored by the Faben Artist Fund. The juror for 20/20 Vision is Douglas Dertinger. A landscapist, his work focuses on the intimate encounter of the unattended. Dertinger has shown nationally and internationally, and is in the permanent collections of the Princeton University Art Museum and St. Mary's University Art Gallery, Nova Scotia. For additional entry information call the Humboldt Arts Council at (707) 442-0278 or visit humboldtarts.org.

THE BUMPERS The McKinleyville Low Vision Support Group, The Bumpers, will not meet in December; Azalea Hall, 1620 Pickett Rd. in McKinleyville, is closed for the holidays. The group will meet on Monday, Jan. 27 from 11 a.m to noon.

LEGAL NOTICES

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 19-00705
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
THE HARDBACK HAWKER
1800 OAK PLACE
MCKINLEYVILLE, CA 95519
1928 CENTRAL AVE. #134
MCKINLEYVILLE, CA 95519
COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT
JAMES H. DEFENBAUGH
1800 OAK PLACE
MCKINLEYVILLE, CA 95519
THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY:
AN INDIVIDUAL
S/JAMES H. DEFENBAUGH
OWNER
This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on DEC. 16, 2019
KELLY E. SANDERS
SC DEPUTY CLERK
12/25, 1/1, 1/8, 15

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 19-00685
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
RAIL RUNNERS USA
RAIL RUNNERS HUMBOLDT BAY
1578 FICKLE HILL RD.
ARCATA, CA 95521
COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT
FRANCIS D. DRISCOLL
1578 FICKLE HILL RD.
ARCATA, CA 95521
CHRISTINE M. DRISCOLL
1578 FICKLE HILL RD.
ARCATA, CA 95521
THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY:
A MARRIED COUPLE
S/CHRISTINE DRISCOLL
OWNER
This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on DEC. 4, 2019
KELLY E. SANDERS
TN DEPUTY CLERK
12/18, 12/25, 1/1, 1/8

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 19-00700
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
EXPRESS
MOBILE DETAILING
1532 HODGSON ST.
EUREKA, CA 95503
COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT
JOSE M. AMARAL
1532 HODGSON ST.
EUREKA, CA 95503
THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY:
AN INDIVIDUAL
S/JOSE AMARAL
OWNER
This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on DEC. 11, 2019
KELLY E. SANDERS
SS DEPUTY CLERK
12/18, 12/25, 1/1, 1/8

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 19-00677
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
HGLK
5720 WEST END RD. BLDG. 3
ARCATA, CA 95521
COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT
HUMBOLDT GREEN LIGHT KITCHEN LLC
CA 201707210294
1371 WHITMIRE AVE.
MCKINLEYVILLE, CA 95519
THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY:
A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY
S/ASHLEY HANSON
MEMBER MANAGER
This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on

NOV. 27, 2019
KELLY E. SANDERS
SW DEPUTY CLERK
12/11, 12/18, 12/25, 1/1
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 19-00681
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
ROOTS & BONES
791 8TH ST. SUITE 10
ARCATA, CA 95521
COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT
ALYSSA MELODY
1018 LARRY ST.
ARCATA, CA 95521
THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY:
AN INDIVIDUAL
S/ALYSSA MELODY
OWNER
This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on DEC. 2, 2019
KELLY E. SANDERS
SC DEPUTY CLERK
12/11, 12/18, 12/25, 1/1

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 19-00674
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
WEST OF WEST
2242 FICKLE HILL ROAD
ARCATA, CA 95521
COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT
HUMBOLDT LEGENDS
CA C3903802
2242 FICKLE HILL ROAD
ARCATA, CA 95521
THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY:
A CORPORATION
S/ARTHUR LICHTENBERGER
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on NOV. 25, 2019
KELLY E. SANDERS
SC DEPUTY CLERK
12/11, 12/18, 12/25, 1/1

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 19-00651
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
SOMETHING BORROWED
EVENT RENTALS
1825 LINDA WAY
MCKINLEYVILLE, CA 95519
COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT
LACE AND BOOTS LLC
CA 201911910234
1825 LINDA WAY
MCKINLEYVILLE, CA 95519
THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY:
A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY
S/LESLIE KILGORE
MANAGING MEMBER
This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on NOV. 12, 2019
KELLY E. SANDERS
SC DEPUTY CLERK
12/4, 12/11, 12/18, 12/25

ABANDONMENT OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 19-00090
FILED IN
HUMBOLDT COUNTY
ON 2/4/19
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
WEST OF WEST
5600 WEST END ROAD
SUITE H2
ARCATA, CA 95521
COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT
ACE WIELD INC
CALIFORNIA C4195151
THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY:
A CORPORATION
S/ARTHUR LICHTENBERGER

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on NOV. 13, 2019
KELLY E. SANDERS
SC DEPUTY CLERK
12/4, 12/11, 12/18, 12/25

ARCATA SCHOOL DISTRICT NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Arcata Elementary School District Board of Education will hold a public hearing and take action on whether to transition the District to trustee-area voting, and establish trustee-area voting districts pursuant to Education Code Section 5019 and Elections Code Section 10010. The purpose of this hearing is to review the map(s) of the proposed trustee areas and receive feedback from the public.
This hearing will be held on MONDAY, JANUARY 13, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. at the Sunny Brae Middle School Multipurpose Room (1430 Buttermilk Lane, Arcata, CA 95521). The proposed map(s) will be available for review no later than January 6, 2020 on the District's website, at the District Office, and in the main office of each school site.
To request information or clarification on the public hearing, please contact Jen DaParma, Administrative Assistant, at the Arcata Elementary School District, 1435 Buttermilk Lane, Arcata, CA 95521. Phone: (707) 822-0351, extension 4.
1/1, 1/8

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME EDWINA BRIGGS ANDERSON SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT CASE NO. CV1901221 TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
1. Petitioner has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
Present name: EDWINA BRIGGS ANDERSON
Proposed name: ROSE EDWINA REAMER;
2. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court, located at 825 5th Street, Eureka, California, at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the application should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.
Date: JAN. 31, 2020
Time: 1:45 p.m.
Dept.: 4
3. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Mad River Union. Date: DEC. 16, 2019
KELLY L. NEEL
Judge of the Superior

Court
12/25, 1/11, 1/8, 1/15
NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF ALAN H. BECKERMAN CASE NO.: PR1900296
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of:
ALAN H. BECKERMAN
Petition for Probate has been filed by: FREDA S. BECKERMAN in the Superior Court of California, County of HUMBOLDT.
The Petition for Probate requests that: FREDA S. BECKERMAN be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.
The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take any actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.
A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows:
Date: JAN. 9, 2020
Time: 2:00 PM
Dept.: 6
Address of court: Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt, 825 Fifth Street, Eureka, CA, 95501.

CITY OF ARCATA LEGAL NOTICE ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 1522
I hereby certify that at a regular meeting held on December 4, 2019, the Arcata City Council introduced Ordinance No. 1522, summarized below, An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Arcata Amending the Arcata Council Municipal Code Pertaining to the California Building Code and Companion Codes, Title VIII—Building Regulations, Chapter 1—Building Codes, Articles—1—9, 11, 13, and 14, at which time the reading in full thereof was waived and approval granted for reading the ordinance by title only. Ordinance No. 1522 was passed and adopted at a regular City Council meeting held on December 18, 2019, by the following vote: AYES: Winkler, Ornelas, Pereira, Pitino. NOES: None. ABSENT: Watson. ABSTENTIONS: None.
APPROVED: Michael Winkler, Mayor, City of Arcata. ATTEST: Bridget Dory, City Clerk, City of Arcata
Summary of Ordinance No. 1522
This ordinance accomplishes required revisions to the City of Arcata's Building Codes and updates them to the 2019 edition.
The full text of Ordinance No. 1522 is available for public inspection at the office of the City Clerk, Arcata City Hall, 736 F Street, Arcata, California, Monday through Friday, between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. The ordinance will take effect January 17, 2020, BY ORDER OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ARCATA. Dated: December 18, 2019.
Bridget Dory, City Clerk, City of Arcata
12/25/19

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME TODD ALLEN TORGENSEN SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT CASE NO. CV1901239 TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
1. Petitioner has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
Present name: TODD ALLEN TORGENSEN
Proposed name: ALLEN TORGENSEN TERRY;
2. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court, located at 825 5th Street, Eureka, California, at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the application should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for

as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.
Attorney for the petitioner: NEAL G. LATT
MATHEWS, KLUCK, WALSH, WYKLE & LATT LLP
100 M STREET
EUREKA, CA 95501
(707) 442-3758
12/25, 1/11, 1/8

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Time: 1:45 p.m.
Dept.: 4
3. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Mad River Union. Date: DEC. 13, 2019
KELLY L. NEEL
Judge of the Superior Court
12/25, 1/11, 1/8, 1/15

NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING OF THE CITY OF ARCATA PLANNING COMMISSION
SUBJECT: Conditional Use Permit for cannabis microbusiness at 4801 West End Road, Arcata; File # 190-017-UP2.
The project is scheduled for a public hearing of the Arcata Planning Commission on January 14, 2020 at 6:00 p.m., in the Arcata City Council Chambers, at 736 F Street, Arcata.
Project: Straight Arrow Management Services, Inc. ("Straight Arrow" or "applicant") is applying for a Use Permit to undertake cannabis microbusiness activities on APN 507-121-043 located at 4801 B West End Road. The site is located in Area 2 of the City of Arcata's Cannabis Innovation Zone. The site currently houses two existing structures, both of which will be used for microbusiness activities under this permit. The cannabis activities are proposed to function as a cannabis microbusiness and include cannabis cultivation, research and development, processing and drying, non-volatile manufacturing, packaging, and distribution. A commercial nursery is also proposed. The applicant is requesting an increase in total cultivation area, which may be authorized by the Planning Commission as part of this Use Permit approval.
Location: 4801 West End Road, Arcata CA
Assessor's Parcel Number: 507-121-043
Property Owner: Timothy and Paula Crowley
Applicant: Straight Arrow Management Services, Inc.
Date of application: October 30, 2019
File Number: 190-017-UP2
Zoning/General Plan: Industrial-Limited (I-L)
Coastal Zone: The project is not located in the Coastal Zone.

NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING OF THE CITY OF ARCATA CITY COUNCIL
SUBJECT: Historic Landmark Designation and associated historic property incentives at 974 10th St., Arcata; File # 189-066-H. The project is scheduled for a public hearing of the Arcata City Council on January 15, 2020, at 6:00 p.m., in the Arcata City Council Chambers, at 736 F Street, Arcata.
Project: The applicant seeks a Historic Landmark Designation and associated incentives for the rehabilitation of the "Chapman House" at 974 10th Street. The property is currently listed on the National Register of Historic Places but does not yet have a local historic designation. The City of Arcata Historic Landmarks Committee and Planning Commission have recommended approval

Environmental: Project is exempt from environmental review per California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Class 1 Categorical Exemption §15301 (Existing Facilities)
NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the information regarding the proposed project and environmental determination may be reviewed at the Community Development Department at Arcata City Hall, 736 F Street, Arcata on weekdays between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., or by phone: 707-825-2139. Contact person: Delo Freitas, Senior Planner.
NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that this action is appealable. In compliance with §9.76.030 of the City's Land Use Code, any aggrieved person who, in person, in writing, or by representative, informed the City of their concerns at or before the hearing or decision may appeal a final action by the review authority. Appeals must be filed within 10 business days following the date of the action by filing an appeal, along with the applicable fee.
NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that, pursuant to §1094.5 of the California Code of Civil Procedure, "If you challenge City action on a proposed project in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the hearing body at, or prior to, the public hearing(s)."
Mailed, published, and posted no later than: December 27, 2019
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of the landmark designation. Requested incentives include: a Mills Act Agreement; expansion of allowed uses including commercial/office use types; and waivers of eligible planning/building permit fees related to rehabilitation of the property's character-defining features.
Location: 974 10th Street
Assessor's Parcel Number: 021-143-015
Property Owner: Scott and Sandra Hunt
Applicant: Same as Owner
Date of application: May 29, 2019
File Number: 189-066-H
Zoning/General Plan: Residential Low Density (R-L)
Coastal Zone: The project is not located in the Coastal Zone.
Environmental: Project is exempt from environmental review per California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Class 1 Categorical Exemption §15301, (Existing Facilities) and Class 31 Categorical Exemption §15331, (Historical Resource Restoration/Rehabilitation)
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Reflecting on a year of rescues

Happy New Year, readers! The new year's arrival is a great time to reflect on the last year to see what was satisfying and what needs a change.

In our animal rescue world, we are grateful for the partnerships with other organizations that help us to reduce the number of unwanted pets, to find the existing ones homes and help heal animals in need.

In particular we are grateful for Friends for Life with their Emergency Medical Fund, Public Vet with their rural spay and neuter clinics, Humboldt Spay and Neuter network for their help with getting our homeless and rescue dogs altered, and our friends at Healing Spirit Animal Wellness Center for their great kindness to us for a variety of veterinary needs.

We couldn't do what we need without the generous support of the Humboldt Area Foundation and their animal welfare grants.

For the new year, we want to get even better at helping our furry friends find their forever homes!

At the shelter, that starts with continuing to improve our training and handling to bring the dogs and cats up to their full potential and show that to the folks who might want to adopt them.

This year some of our wonderful volunteers put together a very informative packet that goes out with each adopted dog, including suggestions for helping the dog acclimate to a new home and lists of resources for training and enrichment.

We have found that just adding in that information has made a big difference in helping adopters over the challenges of the first few weeks with a new pet.

We hope that all of these pieces will come together this month to help our longest resident, Jethro, find his forever home.

Jethro is a 2-year-old male dog. He has the coloring of a cattle dog with the height of something larger – a hound maybe? He is a popular guy among the volunteers.

Jethro knows quite a few obedience skills – sit, shake, down, come – and plays a good game of fetch.

He has been great in meet and greets with other dogs and out in public at events that we have attended. He has an old injury to a

back leg that gives him a slightly asymmetrical look but it doesn't bother him or slow him down at all.

Jethro is attentive and inquisitive. He loves the chance to sniff the ground or the wind while out on a walk and is pretty good on the leash. Jethro is a good all-around dog and we are mystified about why he is still available.

Sometimes our larger dogs just don't show very well in their kennels, but a trip out to the play yard will show a different side. Come by the shelter and meet Jethro! He is neutered, microchipped and current on his vaccinations and available through the Humboldt County Animal Shelter located at 908 Lycoming Ave. in McKinleyville. Let's give Jethro a great start to the new year!

Space prevented this photo of Prima from making it into the paper last week. If you are looking for a fun and easygoing companion who is also a nice medium size, please contact us at redwood-palsrescue@gmail.com or leave a voicemail at (707) 633-8842. Prima has done a fabulous job of raising her babies and is now ready for some fun!



Jethro



DOG TOWN Mara Segal



Prima

CHRISTMAS TREE DISPOSAL Humboldt Waste Management Authority and many of its partners in waste management are once again accepting Christmas trees for disposal at no charge throughout Humboldt County. Trees may be disposed of at the Hawthorne Street Transfer Station, 1059 W Hawthorne St. in Eureka beginning Thursday, Dec. 26 and running through Jan. 16. In Blue Lake, trees can be dropped in front of the softball field, 314 South Railroad Dr. through Jan 15. In McKinleyville, trees can be dropped off at Humboldt Sanitation, 2585 Central Ave., through Jan. 19. hwma.net

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STEELHEAD DERBY

The non-profit group Nor-Cal Guides and Sportsmen's Association (NCGASA) is producing a Mad River Steelhead Derby beginning Wednesday, Jan. 1 and running through Feb. 29. This is for hatchery fish only. Anglers can sign up for the contest online at nccgasa.org or in person at RMI Outdoors and Bucksport Sporting Goods in Eureka. Entry fees are \$30 for NCGASA non-associate members and \$10 for current members. The largest hatchery steelhead entry will win \$500, second place \$300 and third place will receive \$150. There will also be a youth division winner (16 years and under), who'll receive \$150 gift certificate from one of our sponsors. Part of the proceeds will benefit the Mad River Stewards volunteer anglers in partnership with the Department of Fish & Wildlife's broodstock collection program. For derby rules, visit @MadRiverSteelheadDerby on Facebook and Instagram. In the photo, a fish is caught and measured by Mad River Stewards volunteers for the Department of Fish & Wildlife.

PHOTO BY TRACY MACK

FOREST PRESERVATION Left, signing conservation easement documents are Project Manager Lance Spece, landowners Linda Tabacco, Peggy Ridlon, John Ridlon, Clifford Gibson and Northcoast Regional Land Trust Executive Director Dan Ehresman. At right is land owner Steve Miller. Below, an unnamed tributary flows over a waterfall on one of the conserved properties.

SUBMITTED PHOTOS

Port Orford cedar stands conserved

NORTHCOST REGIONAL LAND TRUST
BAYSIDE – The Northcoast Regional Land Trust (NRLT) announced last week the completion of three conservation easements totaling 412 acres near Willow Creek.

NRLT will hold and steward the easements, conserving in perpetuity working forestlands, vital streams, wildlife habitat and significant stands of Port Orford cedar.

The three easements, Panther Creek and Summit Creek I & II, are adjacent to a property previously conserved by NRLT, the 1,600-acre Miller Forest, as well as the 950,000-acre Six Rivers National Forest.

Together these lands provide habitat connectivity and buffer previously conserved areas from subdivision and development. Most significantly, the newly established conservation easements expand a Port Orford cedar reserve.

Port Orford cedar is a Klamath Mountain endemic species currently threatened by root rot, Phytophthora lateralis, a fungal pathogen that has been decimating the trees in recent years.



These conservation easements protect stands in which the root rot has not yet taken hold, reducing the risk of future infection throughout the Willow Creek and Trinity River watershed, and helping to conserve this southernmost population of Port Orford cedar into the future.

The Northcoast Regional Land Trust would like to thank the landowners of the Summit Creek properties, John and Peggy Ridlon and Clifford Gibson and Linda Tabacco, as well as the landowner of both the Panther Creek proper-

ty and the previously conserved Miller Forest, Steve Miller.

The Northcoast Regional Land Trust would also like to thank the California Natural Resources Agency's Environmental Enhancement and Mitigation Program for their generous funding to complete these vital conservation easement projects that will last in perpetuity.

With the addition of these three conservation easements, the Northcoast Regional Land Trust has conserved more than 53,000 acres in our region over the past 20 years.

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